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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) intends to award a sole source firm fixed price purchase order to JEOL USA, Inc., 11 Dearborn Road, P.O. Box 6043, Peabody, MA 01960-6043 to provide an annual service maintenance agreement to the Ground Water Ecosystems Restoration Division's (GWERD). This service maintenance agreement is critical for continued smooth operation of the JEOL 6360 Scanning Electron Microscope/X-Y Stage. By keeping the SEM/Stage in good working condition it will prevent the disruption and delay in analysis of samples which could have an adverse impact on project and program deliverables. JEOL USA, Inc. has performed annual service maintenance agreement on the SEM/X-Y Stage for many years at GWERD. This level of service/maintenance agreement is also listed in the GWERD Standard Operation Procedure (SOP) for the SEM under the Quality Assurance/Quality Control Section. The EPA believes that JEOL USA, Inc. is the only service provider capable of providing service maintenance on the JEOL 6360 SEM that is required by GWERD's SOP. The circumstances permitting "Other than Full and Open Competition" is FAR 13.106(b) (1), "Only one source reasonably available". Any parties disagreeing with the above mentioned statement and can provide documentation supporting the above should notify the listed Point of Contact. The period of performance for this requirement is expected to be January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. All interested parties must respond within 10 days of the date of this announcement. Interested parties shall: 1) include information on the proposed services which clearly supports the requirement; 2) provide itemized pricing that is sufficient to make a determination that competition is feasible. The intent of this synopsis is to determine if any source(s) exist, and therefore, no Request for Quote (RFQ) is available. Consequently, any response failing to provide the aforementioned data but instead choosing to merely submit a routine letter requesting a copy of the RFQ will be ignored. No telephonic responses will be honored. Submit response to U.S. EPA, GWERD, Procurement, Attn: Renae Cochran, P.O. Box 1198, Ada, OK 74821-1198. E-mail address: [cochran.renae@epa.gov](mailto:cochran.renae@epa.gov). Any challenge must be received by 4:00 PM on December 31, 2012. If no affirmative responses are received by the deadline to determine whether a qualified source is more advantageous to the Government, an order will be placed with JEOL USA, Inc.